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Adopti on of the report of the Forum on its sixth session

Draft report

Vice-Chairman and Rapporteur: Franz Xaver Perrez (Switzerland)

I. Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The United Nations Forum on Forests held its sixth session at United Nations Headquarters on 27 May 2005 and from 13 to 24 February 2006. The Forum held __ plenary meetings (1st to __) and its two Working Groups held a number of informal meetings.

2. The session was opened by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs.

B. Attendance

3. In accordance with paragraph 4 of Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/35, the Forum is composed of all States Members of the United Nations and specialized agencies of the United Nations, with full and equal participation. Representatives of the following States attended the session:

[To be completed]

4. The following United Nations offices and organs were represented:

[To be completed]

5. The following specialized agencies were represented:

[To be completed]

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6. The following intergovernmental organizations were represented:

[To be completed]

7. The following non-governmental organizations were represented:

[To be completed]

C. Election of officers

8. At its 1st meeting, on 27 May, the Forum elected the following officers of its sixth session:

Vice-Chairmen:

Tono Kruzic (Croatia)

Franz Xaver Perrez (Switzerland)

9. At its 2nd meeting, on 13 February, the Forum elected the following officers by acclamation:

Chairperson:

Judith Mbula Bahemuka (Kenya)

Vice-Chairmen:

Majdi Ramadan (Lebanon)

José Antonio Doig (Peru)

10. At the same meeting, it was decided that Franz Xaver Perrez (Switzerland) would also serve as Rapporteur.

D. Agenda and organization of work

11. At its 2nd meeting, on 13 February, the Forum adopted its provisional agenda as contained in document E/CN.18/2006/1. The agenda read as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Implementation of decision 5/2 of the fifth session of the United Nations Forum on Forests.
4. Date and venue for the seventh session of the Forum.
5. Provisional agenda for the seventh session of the Forum.
6. Adoption of the report of the Forum on its sixth session.

12. At the same meeting, the Forum approved the organization of work which was contained in an informal paper.

E. Documentation

[To be completed]

F. Establishment of working groups and designation of their Chairmen

13. At its 2nd meeting, on 13 February, the Forum established two working groups. On the proposal of the Chairperson, agenda item 3, entitled "Implementation of decision 5/2 of the fifth session of the United Nations Forum on Forests", was allocated to the two working groups to be chaired by the Vice-Chairmen as follows:

(a) Working Group I, chaired by Franz Perrez (Switzerland) and José Antonio Doig (Peru);

(b) Working Group II, chaired by Majdi Ramadan (Lebanon) and Tono Kruzic (Croatia).

G. Accreditation of intergovernmental organizations

14. At its 2nd meeting, on 13 February, the Forum decided to accredit the following three intergovernmental organizations: Commission des forêts d'Afrique centrale (COMIFAC); Secretariat of the Pacific Community; and Asia Forest Partnership.